

Section VIII: Quality of Life (Optional)

Does your community pay careful attention to quality of life issues? A high quality of life is essential to attract and retain IT workers and businesses.

Social capital and quality of life are important components in building Information Age communities. However, these two components are usually beyond the scope of most information technology committees. Yet, social capital and quality of life are too important to leave out altogether. As a compromise, a list of indicators of social capital and quality of life are included for general discussion purposes.

Quality of life factors to assess:	yes	no	future actions
Is your community visually attractive?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Does your community have good schools?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Does your community have access to health care?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Are there ample cultural and recreational opportunities?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Is the local economy healthy?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Is the local environment clean?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Is affordable housing available?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Does the community have a variety of retail businesses?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Is the community safe?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Would a newcomer want to live in your community?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Is the community easily accessible by car? Is air transportation available in the community or within a reasonable driving distance?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	